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## LYNCHBURG JAIL.

Editor Mitchell Visits The Prisoners.

MARY ABERNATHY'S PITIAFIE

SHE WELPS OVER HER MISIRY

MARABLE REPEATS HIS STATEMENT.

DECLARES AUNT MARY INNOCENT.

Will Speak from the Gallows.

On Friday morning, May 29th, Editor Mitchell boarded the C. & O. train for Lynchburg. Prof. J. E. Jones, D. D., was en route to the same city.

At Lynchburg, he met Mr. George W. Bragg of Richmond, Rev. A. Chisholm, D. D., of dedford City, Rev. P. F. Morris, D. D., pastor of the Court St. Baptist Church at Lynchburg and Prof. G. W. Hayes, president of the Virginia Seminary.

There he saw the Deputy-Sergeant Mr. H. E. Gouldman. Upon being told that the editor desired to see the Luneaburg prisoners, he readily grant-

ed the request and led the way to the inside of the gloomy stone enclosure Descending stone-steps, he halted before a cell and by the light barely discerned the familiar features of Solomon Marable He had heard the edi-



MARY ABERNATHY AND BABE. Poor Aunt Mary!

"No, sir" was the reply. After enquiring as to his health, the editor passed into the other cell.

There sitting at the grated door, her wasting child in her arms was Aunt Mary Abernathy. As Editor Mitchell spoke to her, she burst into a flood of tears and gave herself up to continued weeping.

standing on the side of the fence on the public road, with his hand leaning on the side of the fence. I continued walking up the road and said, "Good morning, Mr. Thompson. He said. "Good morning, Mr. Thompson. He said. "Where are you going?" I said, "I he saw mill' He said. 'No, damn you, you've got to go with me, and he drew his pistol and said, Damn it, come up which is pistol and said, Damn it, come up the road and said. "I am not going anywhere." and he strack her with the helve of the axe three

weeping.
It was a seene never to be forgotten Her cell was the second one from that of Solomon. In it was a trunk, mat-tress on the wooden floor and one chair completed the furnishings of this

gloomy apartment,
At the other end, a mellow light shone down upon the dejected woman and her pitiful babe. The grated door was made of such a net-work of iron that the hand could not be extended through it to bid her

Finally, she composed herself and talked rationally, asking about her friends in Richmond, and wanting to know about Pokey.

AN OUTSPOKEN OPINION.

Deputy Sergeant Gouldman was deeply affected by her bereaved condi-tion and spoke soothing words to her He was outspoken in his opinion as to her innocence. Said he "Many white people have been here—ladies and all of them believe her innocent

nothing could have induced her to branch.

nothing could have induced her to shroud her "
The editor returned to the cell of Solomon Marable and conversed with him relative to his condition.
"Marable, have you any statement to make other than that you have already made?" 'No. sir.' was the response. "Do you still claim the women are innocent?" 'Yes, sir, wary Abernathy is innocent. She had nothing to do with it and I hope you will do all you can for her.

After consultation with Mr. GouldAfter consultation with Mr. Gould
THE PLACE THEY STAYED.

We stayed. They stayed.

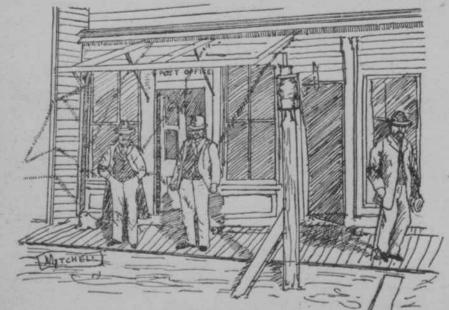
When he got through hitting her, he said to me, "Where in the hell are you going?" I said I am going heme. He said, "No. you aint, you've got to go with me, I waid I am going heme. He said, "No. you aint, you've got to go with me, I waid I am going heme. He said, "No. you aint, you've got to go with me, I waid I am going heme. He said I am going heme. He said, "No. you aint, you've got to go with me, I waid I am going heme. He said I am going heme. He said, "No. you aint, you've got to go with me, I waid I am going?" I said I am going heme. He said, "No. you aint, you've got to go with me, I waid I am going heme. He said I am going heme. He said I am going heme. He said to me, "Where in the hell are you going?" I said I am going heme. He waid I said, "No. you aint, you've got to go with me, I've got a little more talk for you.

He caught me by my arm and carried me on into the house with him. When he got through hitting her, he said to me, "Where in the hell are you going?" I said I am going heme. He caught me by with me, I've got a little more talk for you.

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After consultation with Mr. Gouldman, editor Mitchell told him that he wanted to take down Solomon Marable's statement as made now and compare it with what he had previously many the same of the sa



POST-OFFICE AT CHASE CITY,

where Marable says Le mailed the letter to himself at Finneywood, according to instructions of D. J. Thompson.

[Drawn by Editor Mitchell from photograph.]



Virginia Seminary.

The latter took the editor in his bugger Behind the bars at the Richmond Jail before he was removed to Formula Va to Farmville, Va.

the cell-door, and drew forth his note- I sat there about an hour just guess book and pencil and wrote down Mara ing at it. ble's statement which was as follows:

MARABLE'S STORY.

"In the morning [June 14, 1895], I was sitting on Mr. Spencer's porch. I left there and went up the road, going to the saw-mill.

He got up then and said, "Get up and went up the spring-hill He says," I am going to make a noise and I am going to the saw-mill.

David James Thompson (white) was

I went on up there with him. When I got up there, he repeated the same ords over again. He went up to the house, He made

a noise at the door and just as he made a noise at the door and turned the

corner of the house, Mrs. Pollard cam

She saw his shadow as he turned the

corner of the house and she walked backwards as she looked at the shad-She walked backwards upon me as l was standing in the spring-path, and as she walked backward I caught her by the hands He came back around there and walked up to her and said. "Do you know me" and she said. "you are a white man.'

She started to say something and recognized him, and he cut her off and said, "How long had Mr. Pollard been I do not remember whether she said before 12 o'clock or after 12. He says "I come to kill Mr. Pollard and I can't get a chance to kill him so I'll kill



POLLARD'S OLD GRAY MARE with which he was plowing when his wife was murdered. [Drawn by Editor Mitchell from photograph.]

I know the superstition of the colored lace, their belief in hoodooism and conjuring, and I am sure that if this woman had killed Mrs. Pollard, When he got through hitting her, he

pare it with what he had previously stated when he was virtually at death's door. Marable did not hear this statement made and the editor stepped up to ment made and the editor stepped up to said, "no sir"

We sat there a good while afterwards and I heard some one talking to a lorse saying, "Come up!" And he said, "Do you see anybody?" and I was He put it in his pocket. We went out and he took me to the forks of the Then he reached in there with his road that leads to Burnsgate.

He handed me two pieces of paper money. I did not know what it was intil I got to Chase City. He told me to take it to Chase City and spend it and not spend it at any of the little stores around there, but spend some of it and have enough to register the etter back in my own name

egister it back to Finneywood He said, if you get caught, you put Mary Abernathy, Pokey Barnes, and Mary Barnes in it. and if I didn't, he'd kill me on the next sight.

WHERE BE LEFT HIM.

I left him standing at the forks of the road and I went home I stayed at home all night.

ing, I pulled out a paper bill and hand-ed it to her. I didn't know what it



Taken outside of the jail at Farmville, Va.

HOW HE SPENT THE MONEY.

I put two pieces of paper money in it that I had gotten in change. As I was going on there, I took out one piece of the paper money, I don't know what it was and left the \$5.00 I went to the post-office and handed him fifty cents to register it and he gave me change.

The next word she said, "You'd better send we all and you stay here.
They might be hard on you."
I said, fix the children and let's go.

pocket-knife and a handkerchief. I and got a sixty-cent lunch at the same



THE ROAD FENCE,

About the spot where Marable said he met David James

[Drawn by Editor Mitchell from photograph ]

ever saw it any more. WANTED AS A WITNESS

And I went home When I got there, my wife said, "Somebody been here looking for you as a witness. They have summoned you for Mrs. Pollard's death." She said, "They liked to scared me to death." They liked to scared me to death." I said Tiny't while to summon me

lone anything to anybody. I went oack over to Finneywood and there wasn't anybody at the store, and I came back home. And I stayed there the balance of the evening until just about sun-down. Aunt Mary Barnes' two girls came by there and I heard some white-cap people all around there and my wife got scared and said she wasn't going to stay there.

One of the men shot at me. The ball passed over my head. I started out and ran and as I passed my wife, I threw her (\$2 00) two dollars. I ran on a little further and she said something to me, but I said nothing to her.

I ran a little further and dropped the eating to me, but I said nothing to her. I ran a little further and down. I kept on. I ran down the railroad and turned out. That

She commenced to crying and said, and on the railroad.

No, don't stay there, and I hope her carry the children over to Ed Nuttall's and I told her I was going to stay there and his girl asked me in there.

ust to satisfy her. HEARD THE PROPLE.

restaurant, (Mrs Wooten's). She was coming on down the rail-road and had passed where I told her

I said, Tisn't while to summon me, talking to. They kept hollowing 'halt' don't know nothing about it. I sin't and I stopped to look to see who they

she runcle. She asked me was I going to stay there. I said, yes, I was going to stay there. I hadn't done anything to anybody

That a little lutther and dropped the eatings down. I kept on. I ran down the railroad and turned out. That night I went to an old gentleman's house, and stayed there all night.

The next morning, I stayed out. I remained in the public road all night, and on the railroad.

went to Five Forks to come back home



POLLARD'S HOUSE, Name yourself something else and Showing door through which Mrs. Pollard came, when Marable caught her.

[Drawn by Editor Mitchell from photograph.] pulled off my every day clothes and put on my clean ones and laid my over hauls down by the side of a log, so that I might get them the next morning There was no blood on the overhauls or coat, only torpentine, which I to the clean ones and laid my over hauls or coat, only torpentine, which I to the clean ones and laid my over hauls or coat, only torpentine, which I to the clean ones and laid my over hauls or coat, only torpentine, which I to the clean ones and laid my over hauls of a log, so that I can tell by looking in his face and tell he is not the one.

The Blues are planning to eat crackers and cheese at the close of the contest while the orange will enjoy cream and cake.

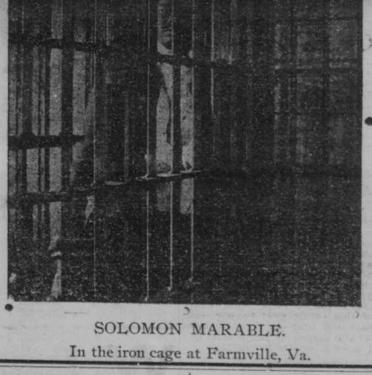
I can tell by looking in his face and tell he is not the one.

They carried me to Chase City and Do You want to Borrow Money?

SENDING HIS WIFE AWAY.

When I got to my house, that Sun-

MR. PETTUS' ANXIETY



fession that Mary Abernathy and Pokey Barnes and Mary Barnes were in it, he didn't know whether I would ever live to get to Mr. Pollard's.

I teld it before I got there. When I got there' they had the trial and I told them the same that I told Pettus They carried us from Mr. Pollard's to Lunenburg by traveling all night. enburg by traveling all night.

They took us from there to Peters-

hearted deputy-sergeant vainly tried best-to make less her misery and soothe Alc

Marable was deeply affected. Tall,

gaunt, mournful looking, he enquired sunrise and stood in line until sunas to when they would come for him to carry him to the place of execution. When told that July, the 1st would be to register their will at the ballot-box. The date of his removal and July 3rd, the date of his execution, there was no change in his countenance.

Sad to the point of misery, soiemn 150 ballots were thrown out upon

deputy for Aunt Mary, bid adieu to carpenter, was put up for Mayor. This both and was soon breathing the air on the outside.

A POLITE OFFICIAL.

Later, he had an extended talk with City Sergeant Samuel Johnson, who is respected by all classes regardless of race or color.

He is a remarkable character. Blunt, square, straightforward, with a milita-

JACKSON WARD Wholesale Robbery-Republicans Counted Out-Cantest to Be Made.

The election in Jackson Ward, Thursday, May 28th, 1896, marked a new era in the history of this section so far as a city election was concerned.

She fixed the children and said.

"Don't you want no breakfast?" I said. I'll make out until I get back.

WENT TO CHASE CITY.

We took the children to Chase City and got a sixty-cent lunch at the same poor as I did.

The polls were not opened until long after sunrise and long lines of colored men waited in order to cast their ballots for the regular Republican ticket. The Democrats had sent out challengers, and every colored man's vote was contested. It took from eighteen to the ment For more than an hour Editor Mitchell had been taking it down, and from time to time the wails and lament and the same of poor Mary Abernathy.

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> Alderman Bahen protested against her in the moments of her untold suffering.
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> DEFFLY AFFECTED.
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> The failure to use the four booths. The
> judges took three of them down, and
> the challenger, St. George Barrand
> continued his obstructive tactics. Colored men went to the polls before

> Sad to the point of misery, soiemn 150 ballots were thrown out upon to the extent of mourning this man technicalities, in the 3d Precinct. stood talking to the editor. And yet | The Democratic candidate had Mary Abernathy's fate seemed to con-cern him more than his own. majority of only 107 This being the number that it was finally decided to Editor Mitchell left \$5 00 with the give him. J W. Madison, a colored



THE OLD SAW MILL.

The place where Marable worked, and to which he was going I stayed until he came and took breakfast with him. I left there and when he met D. J. Thompson. [Drawn by Editor Mitchell from photograph.]

I came back and stayed there until it got dark and I heard a lot of people come riding up there on horses and I got my clothes out and left there just before they got to the house and I whole crowd got together, and Lucius whole crowd got together, and Lucius whole crowd got together, and Lucius on the masses. And yet he is kindhearted to the point of woman tender-beared to vote for him.

THE CROWD ARRESTED HIM.

Ty bearing and an assurance that he was placed at the head of it. Mr. surprising that he has such a hold upon the masses. And yet he is kindhearted to the point of woman tender-beared to the point of woman tender-beared to vote for him.

Editor Mitchell went in to see Aunt
Mary again. She was more composed and showed him the letters she had received. She wanted to give the received. She wanted to give the editor two counterpanes as an humble token of her appreciation. He could not take them then as he was to attend the exercises at the Virginia C. Hunter, Benjamin Scott.

Seminary that night Seminary that night.

The main portions of the jail is 75 gears old and is said to be one of the Jafest in the United States.

The cells in which the Lunenburg Gaines, Royal White, A. P. Quarles,

The cells in which the Lunenburg J. G. Smith. risoners are confined are steel-lined.

Editor Mitchell left at midnight for ed as follows: Board of Aldermen:

Y. M. C. A.

Rev. R. O. Johnson will explain the sunday School Lesson to-day, 5:30 P. All are welcome Meeting in the jail Sunday 11 A. M Master Clifton Cabel will conduct

the boys' meeting Sunday 4 P. M. Mothers help us to save your boys. Every man in our city is invited to the True Reformers' Hall, Sunday 5:30 P. M., sharp to hear a special address Alumni Day at the Virginia Seminary y Brother D. W. Davis. Director C. Williams has arranged special muic. Free to all men.

The Blues are planning to eat crack- a word in reference to this very inter Do You want to Borrow Money?

I left home Saturday morning an hour and a half of sun as near as I can come at it I didn't have any time-piece. I went to Chase City to a lady's restaurant, Mrs. Wooten, and bought a fifty-cent lunch. I sat down there and ate it. When I got through eating, I pulled out a naper bill and heard.

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SENDING US WIFE AWAY.

Mrs. Fannie Murray, of your city. She created there I rode behind Mr. Durell Gregory and another man on another hours and another man on another hour and another man on another house beld the rope.

When I got to Chase City they brought my dinner. Mr Lucius Pettus sa'd he brought it While I was sitting down they put me in charge of a settled gendrous property, rents collected, houses built by delivered. That fire, characteristic on easy monthly payments. Money of Virginia Seminary's student and that earnestness which is always an term of the man and Mr. Lucius Pettus sa'd he brought it while I was sitting down they put me in charge of a settled gendrous property, rents collected, houses built borow money? If seemingly enjoyed the program from COMPANY, No. 221 W. Brough another man on another house the form of the man and the property is a so call on WEST-END REAL ESTATE to finish and well she might. COMPANY, No. 221 W. Brough another man on another house to finish and well she might. When I got to Chase City they brought my dinner. Wr Lucius Pettus sa'd he brought and the rope.

When I got on them at the saw-mill.

Then I took my every-day coat for them at the saw-mill.

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Then I took my every-day coat for them at the saw might a a prominent feature

A Colored Congressman

James I. Smith; Common Council:—
Charles R. Nobles, G. K. Poliock, W.
H. Scott, W. W Walke, M. F. Whalen;
Justices of the Peace:—John A. Carey,
Jr. Charles Keppler, G. F. Mountz.
The Democratic ticket was counted The highest man on the straigh

black ticket received only 68 votes This was a falling off of over 40 per

cent from the vote of two years ago.

Alumni reunion occurred Thursday 28th ult. The spectator desires to say

test while the orange will enjoy cream | Of the many strangers who graces the audience with their presence, no were more heartily welcomed than Do You want to Borrow Money? Mrs. Fannie Murray, of your city. She Do you want to borrow money? If seemingly enjoyed the program from so call on WEST-END REAL ESTATE start to finish and well she might, for

The President, Mr. George E Moore,

to speak, he was greeted with rounds of applause. Mr. Banks reflected great credit upon himself and honor upon his alma mater. He spoke on the subject: "How to Succeed in life" We regarded it as a powerful portrayal of the means by which one must reach the topmost round of the ladder of accomplishment. It is very evident that Mr Banks' life has been one of a student since his leaving the investigation in the control of the ladder of accomplishment. It is very evident that Mr Banks' life has been one of a student since his leaving the investigation. tory.

It is tudent since his leaving the institution. This was evidenced, not only in the Alomni meeting of the aft room, but in the evening when he was called upon to respond to a toast, he displaying the interest of the said Association and is meeting with success. The object of the association is to erect an elect of the association and the elect of the association and the electron electr ed an abundance of wit mingled with eloquence and original thought.

Mr. W. T. Watkins delivered an able

eted of him and when his turn came Lecture, Lecture, Lecture!! A Tribute to John Brown's Memory.

PRICE, 5 CENTS.

Mrs. T. H. Lyles hails from St. Paul,



JUSTICE HUGHES' OFFICE AT CHASE CITY. Where Marable gazed smilingly down upon 300 armed men anxious to take his life.

[Drawn by Editor Mitchell from photograph.] address in the afternoon as did also Columbia, the same to be erected in Miss Lelia Minnis, Mr. Thomas Ander- the State contributing the largest

The debate was one long to be remembered. The subject discussed was: "Resolved that the enanctment of the Virginia Legislature in regard the leading journals of the south. She o the new system of voting is uncon-titutional? The question was affirm-pieces of her composition will be sung stitutional" The question was amru-ed by Miss Elmira Hawkins and Mr. Thomas Hebron; denied by Miss Mat-tic Gilbert and Mr. J Royall Pride. The absence of Mr. Hebron necessitat-Wrecked by the Wine Glass, Lost after

a substitute in the person of Mr. all Thomas H. White.

The evenings program was a complete success in every detail The chap el was immediately cleared of its seating, long tables were stretched from one end to the other in three rows, these were ladened till they ground with the luxuries of the season. The band was seated upon the rostrum, discoarsing the latest and sweetest.

Some of Richmond's musical lights will assist, among whom is Mrs. Mildred A. Cross. Mr. W. B. Richardson of Duluth, Minn, will sing a solo.

The lecture will take place at the First Baptist Church Monday night, June 9:

It is hoped that large audiences Thomas H. White.



SOLOMON MARABLE'S CORN HOUSE. Where he said he hid.

[Drawn by Editor Mitchell from photograph. usic, while the guest were assembling will greet her. Admission, free and and seated themselves around the bring a friend. festal board. The room was crowded and the highest anticipation of the crowd were at least approximated in the greetings and exchanging of greetings in general, which they enjoyed. Having fared sumptuously the toast master called the house to order. Speech making was indulged in for some considerable time. Dr. H. H. Mitchell, President of the Virginia maptist State Convention, spoke the most encouraging words for the future of Virginia Seminary. Rev. J. M. Young, A. M., made a most delightful speech in which he encouraged the students to go forward, laying a broad and deep foundation—let them build for the control of the control festal board. The room was crowded

Thus ended one of the most delightful days in the history of Virginia Seminary—the reassembling of about sixty of its old graduate, going forth gain, reimbued with the spirit of love and devotion for their alma mater and with the settled purpose to demand for her in all parts of the State, what she justiy won and she justly deserves. The Lord will bless Virginia Semina-

FULTON NOTES.

SPECTATOR.

The services at the churches in this ection on last Sabbath were good. ev. Mr. Patterson of the Seminary preached a very enthusiastic sermon at the Rising Mt Zion Baptist Church the Arenge of the Archer has been been been been been been been will baptize. In the afternoon, he will administer the Lord's

The Sunday School Union will con-

The Sunday School Union will consense at the Rising Mt. Zion Baptist Church next Sunday at 3:30 P. M.

Mrs. Annie Boyd and her little laughter, Cappie left for New York City last week.

Mr. Editor:

With your kind permission I shall begin a series of articles on Life, Character and doings of Drunken Jim, Slick Jim, Jumping John, Jail-bird Randolph, Running Peter, Bar-room Eddie and others. No X ray is needed. City last week.

Mr. Leonard Smith, one of the worthy members of the Rising Mt. Zion public will be benefitted by the exposure of the hypocrites.

Baptist Church is sick at present writing. We hope him a speedy recovery His Eve Open.

Mr. Editor:



[Drawn by Editor Mitchell from photograph.]

they marched to the music of the band within the reach of all. Come and

students to go forward, laying a broad and deep foundation—let them build for eternity and if they build upon the solid rock, character, they can not fail.

Thus ended one of the most delight—Thus ended one of the most delight

choirs of the resident pastors are invited. The church is greatly in need of money, being considerably behind in their indebtedness on the new buildng. We earnestly and prayerfully appeal to the sister churches and friends generally to come and aid us to raise not less than (\$500.) five hundred dol lars during these services. Our working membership is small; the indebt-

edness comparatively great. We hope to see the church crowded at each serice, and healthy collections to pay on Yours for the advancement of the ause of Christ and 5th Bapt. Church, Deacons Robert H. Ferguson, Geo. W. Moore; Licentiates M. B. Hucless,

Want a Privilege Granted.

Richard H. Ross; Trustee, Wm. H.

was and she sent her girl out and had it changed.

The girl went out, had it changed and brought it back and counted it out the other money. I left there and went down to Mr. Clark's store. I do not the other money. I left there and went down to Mr. Clark's store. I do not the other money. I left there and went down to Mr. Clark's store. I do not the properties of the other money. I left there and went down to Mr. Clark's store. I do not the properties of the other money. I left there and went down to Mr. Clark's store. I do not the properties of the properties of the stant from the first South Carolina Digitality. There was vociferous applause as he marched to the bar of the House of Representatives seated then George Murray, the colored contained to the first South Carolina Digitality. There was vociferous applause as he marched to the bar of the House of Representatives seated then George Murray, the colored contained to the first South Carolina Digitality. There was vociferous applause as he marched to the bar of the House to have administered to him the din a very brainy class and was the leader of that class. Much was ex.

[Drawn by Editor Mitchell from photograph.]